Man Now Nearly 70 Years Old Had Romantic Courtship To Secure Daughter of Postmaster As Bride, But Lived Up To His Oath In Crisis.

LONDON, Marchi 12.—As a young man he was a "hard case," and althquigh the Grand Duke Nichelas Constantine is now nearly 70 he remains as unconventional as ever says the author of "Famous Morganatic Marringes."

If the Bolsheviks had not succeeded in capturing the reins of power he would have been given a high appointment under the Russian republic, but move he is living in retirement and these are very few persons who remember his exploits.

Nichobs was a rebel against has rank. To begin with, he strongly objected to the narrow life he was compelled to live, and he could see no reason why a pretty girl or an intelligent man, no matter how lowly born, should not be admitted on equal terms to the houses of those of kingly birth. But the grand duke overdid things and, incurring the displeasure of the coar, he was conveyed in disgrape to a remote part of the Russian empire and kept under close supervision there

a remote part of the Russian empire and kept under close supervision there for a number of years.

For the first few years of Nicholas' exile from the gaittes of court life Russia was fully occupied with foreign and domestic matters, and the delinquent was left practically unnoticed.

Occasionally reports of his good conduct reached the czar, who merely expressed grim approval and turned to something else. But as year after year went by, and the grand duke was still apparently behaving himself, the emperor relented and decided to pardon and reinstate him.

But in the meantime something had happened, for while Russia was making history the Grand Duke Nicholas Constantine had taken certain steps which were to keep him apart from his family forever.

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The pearest town to the gloomy old castle where he was confined was Tashkent, a deadly place consisting of a few score houses and huts and a population mainly ignorant and debased.

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Nicholas, after a good deal of trouble, found only one family worth visiting, that of the postmaster, who was a wizened fellow of 50, of the name of Alkoff. He had a pretty daughter, however, Katrina, the pears of Tashkent. Her pure white skin, intelligent manner made her the belie of the country for miles around.

Of course Nicholas could not meet Katrina every day without falling in love with her. She was meant to be loved, and the girl, who was as clever as she was beautiful, needed none of the arts of the coquette to turn the head of the grand duke. He decided to ask Katrina to marry him.

The girl listened gravely to his proposal, and if she did not say "yes," there was re sign of a refusal in her cloquent eyes. Nicholas knew that his love was returned.

That night, at supper Alkoff leased access the table and stared into Nich-

oiss' pale face.

"You wish to marry our Katrina?"
he asked, suddenly.

"With all my heart and soul," the prince exclaimed, and no one could doubt his sincerity.

master.

The grand duke would have protested against the imputation, but Alkoff insisted upon a plain answer, and it was given with emphasis.

"Very well, then," continued Alkoff, dropping his suspicious, hesitating manner. "you can be trusted. I see. My daughter and I and her mother are the principals of the Nihilist club in Tashkent. Tes, we are Nihilists and revolutionaries, sworn to destray the Romanoffs, and end forever the tyranny under which Russia is groaning.

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"I still wish to marry Karrina," he said slowly, while his eyes lighted up." And if I am found worthy I would like to become a Nihilist, too, and help to work for the liberty of the people."

Old Alkoff, a good judge of character, surveyed him steadily.

"We badly need recruits, especially men who can help the cause," he said, and, to Katrina's amagement, she realized that her father believed in Nicholas good faith. "but you must first go through a period of probation."

"And Katrina—when can I marry her" asked the prince eagerly.

"That she will decide for herself," said the postmaster. "Katrina knows her own mind and she is free to do what she pleases."

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"Let us be married at once, then."
Nicholas said quickly, "and then I will prove my sincerity, for I love and adore you, and I will battle for you against my own class." I give you my word of honor I will."

So the banished grand duke and the postmaster's daughter were secretly married, and after the ceremony Nicholas was initiated into all the mysteries of Nihilism and took the oath to work for the Russian revolution.

It was a curious and awkward coincidence that just when Nicholas and Katrina were married the carr should become anxious to see his nephew again.

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One morning a letter came from Petrograd announcing that the emperor was sending a special envoy with a message to his scapegrace nephew. The imperial messenger arrived. He was a Russian general and in mocking tones Nicholas told him that he was married to the postmaster's daughter. When the sensitional news was known in Petrograd the emperor set his secret service agents to work. They five the sensitional news was known in Petrograd the emperor set his secret service agents to work. They five the was a Nihilist, and they prepared to destroy the organization.

But Nicholas was able to warn his fellow plotters in time, and when the Russian secret police raided the building where the weekly meetings of the club were held they found it empty, nor could they obtain proof against any member except Nicholas, and they dared not arrest him.

# SERBS MAY QUIT SANDALS FOR OUR REAL FOOTWEAR Montenegrins May Change Their Venerable Headgear LONDON, March 17. (By International News Service.)—Great Britain, which within a year or so hopes to get off the red ink side of the national ledger, faces an outlook until April 1 of a daily deficit of \$892.000. Prom England's standpoint that is quite an improvement over 1919, when the national expenditure was \$6.252,000 daily more than income. These figures presume the pound to be worth \$4. So the position from the debit side is today seven times better than in 1919, although outgo is still insarly a million dollars a day ahead of income.

Their Venerable Headgear MERE \$80,000 CAN'T for Up-to-Date American Hats-Ancient Caps Will Go

when Serbia was compelled to call upon the allies for equipment, for only the stiff shoe, to which Western European and American armies were accustomed, was available. Now, after having been habituated to the modern shoe, the Serbian soldier upon demobilization finds it difficult to return to the primi-tive sandal.

supplies of old shoes gathered in merica which were distributed re-native by the American Red Cross were natched up by the peasants with avid-y. American business already has be-un to exploit this new source of de-and so that a few more years probmand so that a few more years prob-ably will see the Balkan peasant wear-

ably will see the Balkan peasant wearing American shoes.

The war has dealt the venerable headgear of the Montenegrin a telling blow.

More than 600 years ago, in 1389, those Serbs who were driven to take refuge from the Turk in the mountains of Montenegro after the overthrow of the Serbian empire at the battle of Kossovo, adopted a cap which was intended to keep fresh in their minds forever a national consciousness. The cap tinded to keep fresh in their minds for-ever a national consciousness. The cap still worn to this day is brimless and bordered by a black band of mourning. The crown is a crimson red for the blood which was shed in the battle and embroidered about the edge are six gold-threaded circles for the six centu-ries which have elapsed since 1289. Some now have discarded the cap for, now that Montenegro and the Serbs "ve come into the glory which was meirs before Kossovo, there seems to many of them to be no reason for the perpetuation of the sentiment which the cap was calculated to keep alive through the period of adversity of the nation.

### CLEVER ALBERT.

Three-year-old Albert was tormenting the cat when it scratched him and the called it a bad name. His mother, overhearing what he had said, washed his mouth with soap and water. The next day the lad was teasing pussy his mouth with soap and water. The next day the lad was teasing pussy again, and once more the cat scratched him. But Albert said. "You are the same kind of a cat you were yesterday."

"Has he a lot of money?"
"No: but he has the next best thing."
"What is that?"
"The ability to make people think he's rich."—Detroit Free Press.

#### ENGLAND FACES DAILY **DEFICIT OF \$892,000**

## LURE A JANITOR AWAY

Hats—Ancient Caps Will Go

PETCH, Montenegro, March 6.—
Americanization of the footwear of the Balkans within a few years may be one of the unexpected results of the war. The Serbian sandal or opanchi, of soft pliable leather was abandoned when Serbia was compelled to call upon the allies for equipment, for only the stiff shoe, to which Western European and American armies were accustomed, was available. Now after having hear in the state of t

Begin Your Garden. Get a hoe and a Julia Marlowe cigar and go to it.

#### MILES STANDISH WAS MANXMAN IS RECORD

DOUGLAS, Isle of Man, March 17.—
Evidence that Miles Standish was a
Manxman, and born into the Manx family of Standish of Elianbane, has been
discovered by the secretary of the Isle
of Man Antiquarian society.

The family of Standish prohably came
to Man with the Derby family in the
fifteenth century, it is stated, for there
is a record that they held property in
the capital of the island in the year
1511. This was 73 years before Miles
is supposed to have been born.

#### ENGLISH TOWN CLAIMS LONGEVITY RECORD

LONDON, March 17. (By International News Service.)—They grow 'gm long and hardy in the village of Shifnal, which claims the longevity record for England.

Headstones in a church yard are cited, the two star exhibits being the stones of William Wakley, "aged 12; and upward," and Mary, wife of Joseph Yates, aged 127, who married a third husband at 92.

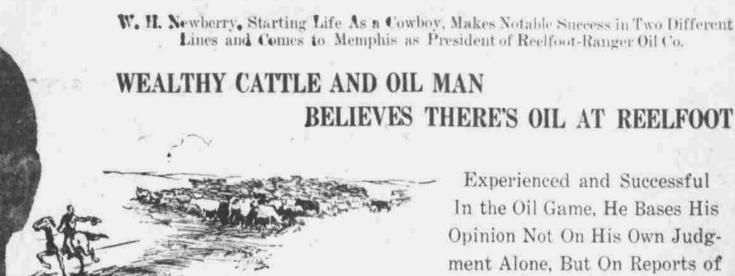
Wakley lived in the reigns of eight kings and queens.

NEXT BEST THING.

Doesn't hurt! Lift touchy corns and calluses right off with fingers Apply a few drops of "Freezone" upon that old, bothersome corn, Instantly that corn stops hurting. Then shortly you lift it right off, toot and all, without pain or soreness. Hard corns, soft corns, corne between the toes, and the hard skin calluses on bottom of feet lift sight off-no

Lift Off Corns!

# Reelfoot Will Make Memphis Great Oil Center



Experienced and Successful In the Oil Game, He Bases His Opinion Not On His Own Judgment Alone, But On Reports of Geologists and Experie Drillers.

Residents of Memphis and West Tennessee know of the great oil developments in Texas and many of them haveinvestments there. They have discussed the sensational fortunes made in oil by people in moderate circumstances.

They have heard that "prospecting" for oil is now going on at Reelfoot Lake in Tennessee. They know too. in a general way what it means to a section for hundreds of miles around when oil is struck.

But the big fact today is that expert investigation and the judgment of shrewd, hardheaded business men is that oil will soon be found in abundance at Reelfoot Lake in West Tennessee.

If these men are right, these oil men, drillers, geologists and prominent Memphis business men, a great chapter is about to be written in Tennessee history. Men of proven. accurate judgment say Memphis is destined to become a great oil center.

## THE VISION OF A PRACTICAL MAN

Twenty years ago W. H. Newberry came from his Texas home to West Tennessee and remained for more than a year on a farm near Reelfoot Lake. Old settlers referred frequently to the explosions at Reelfoot, escaping of gas and scums of grease on the water near.

He went back to his Texas home and after a successful career as a cattleman, followed by seven years of plenty in the oil game, he remembered the stories told about Reelfoot, and employed Dr. Hugh Tucker, the most noted petroleum geologist of Texas, to come to Reelfoot and make scientific investigations.

The report of Dr. Tucker's stated that he found a wongeological structure and other indications of there being a great oil pool underneath the Recifoot Lake country. Dr. Tucker strongly advised Mr. Newberry to proceed with his development plans. Accordingly, he spent a fortune in quietly securing leases on the structure designated by Dr. Tucker, covering 66 square miles of tersitory. After much careful planning the Recifoot-Ranger Oil Company was organized with Mr. Newberry as prest-

posed of some of the most prominent and successful business men in the Memphis ter-

The basis of organization of the most successful oil companies was followed, including provision for ample capital. large variety of holdings and plans for continuing permanently in all phases of the oil business, including not only the production but the refining, transportation and mar-

keting of oil.

Mr. Newberry stood the test of a most rigid investigation by some of the Memphis business men who had become associated with him. It was found he was a man of large means and whose word is as good as his bond. He brings to the company not only a ripe business experience, but a remarkable knowledge of all phases of the oil industry. He will spend most of his time in the field superintending drilling operations, watching the development of every oil field for advantageous buying and selling, and giving direction to the company's various operations.

That the company is well managed is evident from the general business atmosphere of the company's general offices and from the good opinfon among banks and the business public already established, as a result of highclass business dealing, as well as from the recent increase in the value of properties owned by the company.

Mr. Newberry is heading a company, an investment in which holds the assurance of being as safe as any other commercial enterprise, with satisfactory dividends already declared and with every probability of becoming worth many for one. Mr. Newberry firmly believes that oil will be found at Reelfoot Lake. in which event Memphis will become a great oil center, West Tennessee will enjoy the greatest prosperity in its history, and the stockholders in the Reelfoot-Ranger Oil Company will become rich in proportion to their investments.

Attorney General T. O. Morris recently sent the following telegram to the banquet of business men in Memphis, who met to hear the Reelfoot-Kanger proposition;

One hundred years ago the Reelfoot hills echoed the crack of Davy Crockett's rifle in his first big bear hunt. This was the first approach of civilization in this section, but Tennessee gave Davy Crockett to Texas to lead the struggling little republic into the esterbood of states and to teach Texans how to die for their country. Tennessee has in the past sent to Texas her best manhood to sesist in the making of the biggest state in the union and today Texas is returning the fator by

## FROM THE CATTLE LANDS TO THE OIL FIELDS

BY HAZEL MANLEY

Here is the true-life Westerner who isn't a bare-back rider only, but whose heart is as soft as the purple haze that envelopes the Sierras at twilight-that's W. H. Newberry. A man whose nature is true and tried, whose thoughts are as simple as the great outdoors, around which they are molded, and yet whose courage is as great as the mighty prairie. Prosperity is the test of human character, and only a mighty man can keep his poise when the waves surge around him. This big cowboy, like the skilled mariner, has steered his boat over rough waters.

When the West was young he grazed his cattle on the grassy plains, a loftiness of purpose defined in his vision and a dare-devil nerve portrayed in his action. When Texas got the oil fever, he was one of the first to run a high temperature, and with the same nerve that had herded his cattle into the bank vaults, young Newberry turned his back to the herds and galloped away to the oil fields. Again he set out on troubled waters; his bankers advised him to keep clear of the derrick, and one personal friend expressed the fear that a good cattleman would be spoiled.

As the pipes of hope sank deeper and deeper into the earth, the faith, nerve and dream of the cowman must have been severely tried. But finally a bright day came and the plain gave up its liquid gold, which transformed the cowboy to the oil magnate. Nor was a good cattleman spoiled, for Mr. Newberry says now that the prettiest picture he ever saw is that of a rolling plain where a herd of cattle is feeding.

And now the cowboy-oil magnate has come to Tennessee, as a state official said, to repay the debt that Texas owes for Davy Crockett. His genuine honest-to-goodness smile, the glint of determination and fearless resolve in his eye, and the warm, cordial handelasp of the cowboy constitutes a personality that is appreciated to the fullest by the Tennessean.

To Reelfoot he comes, to the hunting grounds of his Davy Crockett the same as ours, where soon we hope to see the melted gold gush forth, for we believe in Reelfoot Lake and we believe in Mr. Newberry.

sending to us a wizard from her oil fields to make our land flow with milk and honey and to put Tennessee in the list of the nation's richest commonwealths. My hat is off and my hand is out to this ambitious young Texan. May his drills never grow dull and may the coming generations of mallards at Reelfoot learn to roost on his derricks."

## THE MEN **BEHIND** REELFOOT-

RANGER

Mr. W. H. Newberry, President, of Fort Worth and Childress, Texas, is a man of large means and extensive experience in the oil business having had to do, during the past few years, with the drilling of 18 different wells, every one of which has produced oil. Mr. Newberry is giving practically his entire time to the operations of our company. A leading Memphis business man and director in our company states:

"I wish to say, that in my own way, and separate and apart from any manner in which Mr. W. H. Newberry has been investigated in Texas, I have carried on a private investigation the result of which was submitted to me yesterday in manuscript form. It is most complimentary, and states that Mr. Newberry is a most successful and active trader and field man; that his integrity is unquestioned, that he has the reputation of paying all obligations when due and that his word is as good as his bond.

Mr. C. T. Bondurant, Vice-President, of Hickman, Ky., cotton planter and dealer. He is a man of large means who has been remarkably successful during his business career.

Mr. B. A. Bogy, Vice-President, president of the B. A. Bogy Company, rotton converters, of Memphis.

Mr. W. E. Gage, Vice-President, member of the great cotton firm of W. A. Gage & Company, of Memphis.

Mr. A. E. Markham, Secretary-Treasurer, of Tiptonville. Tenn. largest land owner and planter in Lake County.

Mr. C. J. Farris Assistant Secretary - Treasurer: expert accountant and successful

Mr. Vernon T. Grizzard, of Memphis, fiscal agent, formerly fiscal agent of the Seven States Oil Company.

Mr. S. Steinberg, head of the firm of S. Steinberg & Company, of Memphis.

Capt. E. L. Mendenhall, formerly principal of the famous Berry Philanthropic School of Rome, Ga., now of Dyersburg. Tenn., an active representative

Mr. T. C. Mendenhall, prominent business man of Hanni-

of our company.

Mr. L. W. Hughes, of Memphis, successful business man.

Callahan & Young, attorneys, of Memphis, general counsel.

We believe that no similar enterprise was ever organized with a stronger personnel than the directorate of the Reelfoot-Ranger Oil Company.

### \$300,000 **OFFERED** AT PAR

By resolution of the directors. \$300,000.00 of the company's capital stock is offered at par. Developments will in all probability come rapidly, and this portion of the stock is not likely to remain on the market long.

Discriminating investors, appreciating the personnel of the management, the great variety of valuable holdings, the plans for the future and the possibilities of the company becoming worth millions of dollars through the developments at Reelfoot Lake. will quickly subscribe the amount offered at par.

The Reelfoot-Ranger Oil Company is chartered under the laws of the State of Tennessee, is capitalized at \$1 .-500,000,00; has opened offices in the Lee Building, Memphis, has been granted a permit to offer its stock for sale under the Blue Sky Laws of Tennessee, and, is now a go-

Full information will be furnished either in response to phone call, Main 6933 or by filling accompanying coupon.

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